

Amendment to the Specification:

Rewrite the second paragraph on page 1, beginning on line 8, to read as follows:

United States Patent [patent application] No. 5,479,447, [filed May 3, 1993] in the name of P. S. Chow et al. and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Adaptive, Variable bandwidth, High-Speed Data Transmission of a Multicarrier Signal Over Digital Subscriber Lines", [which] describes details of a multicarrier system using DMT modulation.

Rewrite the third paragraph on page 1, beginning on line 13, to read as follows:

United States Patent [patent application] No. 5,596,604, [08/107,200 filed August 17, 1993] in the name of J. M. Cioffi et al. and entitled "Multicarrier Modulation Transmission System with Variable Delay", [which] also describes details of a multicarrier system using DMT modulation.

Rewrite the second paragraph on page 1, beginning on line 17, to read as follows:

United States Patent [patent application] No. 5,400,322, [08/109,489 filed August 20, 1993] in the name of R. R. Hunt et al. and entitled "Updating of Bit Allocations In A Multicarrier Modulation Transmission System", [which] describes a manner of maintaining bit allocations in a multicarrier system.